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Department of the Army- Corps of Engineers, Galveston District 2000 Fort Point Road Galveston, TX 77550

Attn: Denise Sloan

RE: Water Quality Certification (JP 070227-02/AI 149056/CER 20070002)

State of Louisiana

Dear Ms. Sloan:

The Department has reviewed the Corps' Proposal to Reissue and Modify Nationwide Permits, as published in the Federal Register, Volume 71, Number 186, dated September 26, 2006. The Department has denied 401 Water Quality Certification to the reissuance and/or modification of the following Nationwide Permits (NWP's):

NWP-21

NWP-29

NWP-31

NWP-39

NWP-40

NWP-43

NWP-44

Based on the information provided in your application, it is the opinion of the Department that the Nationwide Permits listed above could have adverse effects on water quality or fail to comply with State water quality standards as provided for under LAC 33:IX.Chapter 11, and should be considered for Water Quality Certification on a case-by-case basis. Therefore, Water Quality Certification for these Nationwide Permits is denied. In accordance with LAC 33:IX 1507.E.2, you may, within 10 days of the receipt of this letter, request a public hearing on this matter.

Sincerely,

Thomas R. Griggs Engineer Manager

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Dear Ms. Sloan:

The Department has reviewed the Corps' Proposal to Reissue and Modify Nationwide Permits, as published in the Federal Register, Volume 71, Number 186, dated September 26, 2006. The Department has no objection to the reissuance and/or modification of the following Nationwide Permits (NWP's):

NWP-3	NWP-16	NWP-30
NWP-4	NWP-17	NWP-32
NWP-5	NWP-18	NWP-33
NWP-6	NWP-19	NWP-34
NWP-7	NWP-20	NWP-36
NWP-12	NWP-22	NWP-37
NWP-13	NWP-23	NWP-38
NWP-14	NWP-25	NWP-41
NWP-15	NWP-27	NWP-42

The Department has no objection to the issuance of the following proposed Nationwide Permits (NWP's):

NWP-A	NWP-C	NWP-E
NWP-B	NWP-D	NWP-F

The Department has no objection to all proposed modifications to General Conditions and Existing Definitions of Nationwide Permits. Also, the Department does not require the Corps to apply specific regional conditions to any of the Nationwide Permits mentioned above.

The requirements for Water Quality Certification have been met in accordance with LAC 33:IX.1507.A-E. Based on the information provided in your application, we have determined that the placement of the fill material will not violate the water quality standards of Louisiana provided for under LAC 33:IX.Chapter 11. Therefore, the Department has issued a Water Quality Certification.

Thomas & Driggs Thomas R. Griggs Engineer Manager

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